FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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The Fayette County Recorder's office is encouraging residents to be cautious if they receive a piece of mail asking them if they want a copy of their deed and property assessment.

Recorder's offices across the state have received phone calls from concerned citizens about letters they received stating there was "deed activity recorded in public record" and that they should obtain a "current property grant deed and assessment" from companies charging \$70-85 for the service.

The notice is designed to cause a homeowner to believe there has been a recently recorded document, which is often inaccurate. Anyone receiving this notice should not be alarmed or feel it is necessary to respond. A copy of a deed can be obtained at the Recorder's office for a few dollars or less in copy fees.

If you have any questions or concerns, or to inquire about obtaining a copy of your deed, please contact the Fayette County Recorder's office at 563-422-3687.